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# CPA committee submits annual budget

By Gregory A. Scibelli  
Turley Publications  
Correspondent

AGAWAM – At the next meeting of the Agawam City Council, councilors will be asked to set the fiscal year 2015 budget for the Community Preservation Act (CPA) fund.

The CPA was put in place in Agawam in 2004 and charges property owners a one percent surcharge on their yearly property tax bill. On average, it costs a taxpayer \$28.62 per year. The benefit for townspeople is the millions of dollars in state match funds for the CPA budget. Recent cuts have reduced the amount Agawam receives from

the state, but there are other situations where money invested from the CPA fund has resulted in other grants from the state. The state also contributes a lot of money to purchase land for the purpose of open space preservation.

Last Wednesday night, the CPA Committee held their annual public hearing to gain input on what

they would like to see done with CPA funds during the next year. The committee, which is chaired by Henry Kozloski and administered by Jennifer Bonfiglio, also presented their projected funding for the next fiscal year.

The group is estimating a revenue stream of \$543,882. Ten percent of that amount will be used

specifically for open space. Another 10 percent of the amount will be reserved for community housing, and another 10 percent will be used for historic resources. About four percent of the amount is reserved for administrative costs. The rest is unreserved.

The public hearing was attended  
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## Agawam school nurses seek pay parity



Turley Publications photo by Mike Lydick

**Agawam school nurses Sally Peiffer and Mary Pasteris stand in front of the high school. Pasteris, head of the nine-member nurses' union, said ongoing contract negotiations with the town are focusing on wages because of a "great disparity" among Agawam and other school districts.**

By Mike Lydick  
Turley Publications  
Correspondent

AGAWAM – During the past five years, Agawam has lost six full-time school nurses and one permanent part-time school nurse. The head of the nurses' union says the exodus is directly related to low salaries.

Mary Pasteris, chair of the local Massachusetts Nurses Association (MNA) bargaining unit that represents the town's nine school nurses, said applicants are applying for and accepting positions in other districts that offer "professional salaries, professional respect, and the chance for advancement."

A school nurse in Agawam since 1995, Pasteris became chair of the bargaining unit last September when the previous chair left for a higher paying nurse's position in

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## CHAMPIONS...AGAIN



Turley Publications photo by David Henry sweetdogphotos.com

**The Agawam High School boys varsity volleyball team captured the Western Massachusetts Division 1 championship by beating rival West Springfield 3-0 in the finals on June 2. Pictured, left to right, are Benjamin Cassidy, Wade Robidoux, coach Patricia Demers, J. Bailey Cecchi and Zachary Goggin. Read the story on page 12.**

## Drivable dreams fuel nostalgic mood at Heritage Hall car show

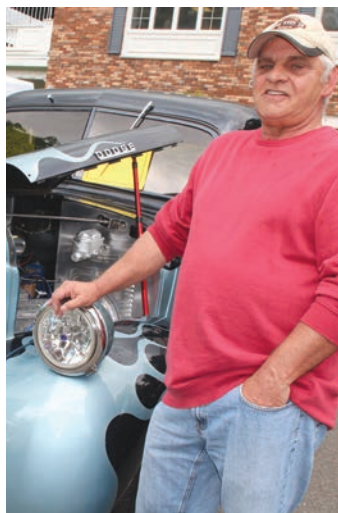
By Mike Lydick  
Turley Publications  
Correspondent

AGAWAM – Strolling past gleaming rows of vintage vehicles put Karon Tyler and Thelma Scott in a nostalgic mood.

"They look so beautiful," said Scott, a resident in the Heritage Hall North (HHN) health-care facility in Agawam where numerous classic cars and trucks lined the parking lot. Pointing to a gray 1957 Cadillac four-door hardtop – her favorite – she added, "It looks like it just came off the assembly line."

Scott said seeing cars and trucks from the 1950s and 1960s brought back many fond memories. "It brings me back to the days when we'd pile the kids into the family car and go for a ride," she said. Added Tyler, Scott's sister, "These old cars look wonderful. It's nice to get out and see them."

As they walked past a red and  
**See CAR SHOW, page 10**



Turley Publications photos  
by Mike Lydick

**Agawam resident Joe Davidson stands with his vintage truck – a 1946 Dodge pickup – that resembles a street rod. The paint scheme is cobalt blue with ice blue flames on the front and rear fenders.**

## Fire department receives next round of funding for radios

By Gregory A. Scibelli  
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Correspondent

AGAWAM – The Agawam Fire Department received another \$30,000 from available funds to complete the next phase of their radio replacement program to provide their firefighter/EMTs with the best possible communications devices.

The Agawam Fire Department started the process of replacing their radios last year. Fire Chief Alan Sirois said it has been smart fiscal responsibility that has led to the purchase of these capital items without further affecting the taxpayers.

"We have been able to be responsible with the overtime spend-

ing in our account during the past year," said Sirois. "The funds are coming from that line item and being transferred to our equipment line item."

Sirois said a similar funding transfer was done last year in the amount of \$20,000. The money was stretched and provided new radios to 19 firefighter/EMTs. There are a total of 57 full-time firefighter/EMTs including the department's mechanic. There are 13 additional "call-in" firefighters that also must get new radios.

Sirois is hoping similar responsible

**"Those radios are the second-most important piece of equipment a firefighter carries aside from their breathing apparatus."**

**– Agawam Fire Chief Alan Sirois**

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The answer to this week's "Where is it?" will run in next week's edition along with the name of the first person to submit a correct answer and a new trivia photo for you to consider.

E-mail answers or future Where Is It? suggestions to editor Jennifer Wroblewski at [jwroblewski@turley.com](mailto:jwroblewski@turley.com).



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Last week's photo: Theresa Brusseau was the first to correctly identify the cow standing in a front yard on Mill Street.



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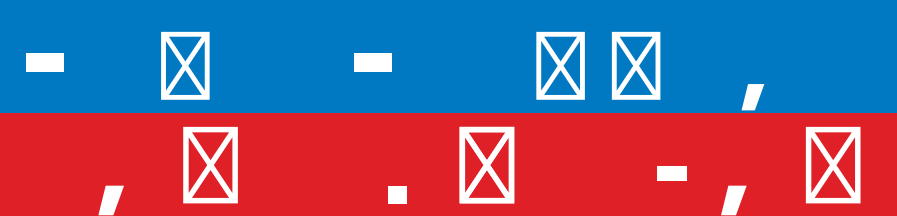
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# Robinson State Park Day set for June 21

FEEDING HILLS – The Annual Robinson State Park Day is scheduled for Saturday, June 21. Every year on the third Saturday of June, the Friends of Robinson State Park group plans the event, which is co-sponsored by the Department of Conservation and Recreation. This year, the focus is on walks, with a variety appropriate for all ages.

8 a.m.: Bird Identification Walk, led by members of the Allen Bird Club. Bring binoculars and meet at the Trestle Pavilion. This is a chance to hear and see the many birds that make the park their home. The walk is suitable for amateur as well as experienced birders.

10 a.m.: A five-mile hike, easy to moderate, will be led by members of the Wilbraham Hiking Club. Meet at the Trestle Pavilion. Poles, hiking boots, water, snack and bug spray are recommended. This is a chance to experience many of the trails in the Western section of the park, often with river views. There will be opportunities for participants to leave the hike before the full five miles if that is desired.

10 a.m. to 2 p.m.: Ongoing: “Big Tree” walks, will be led by Matt Largess, longtime friend of the park and arborist from Rhode Island. He may also lead a walk through the recovering tornado damage. Meet at the Trestle Pavilion. These short walks are especially appropriate for children. Departure times will be flexible to accommodate participants.

A special nature walk and possible scavenger hunt for children between the Trestle Pavilion and Robinson Pond is in the planning stages. Student volunteers from Agawam High School will lead the walk.

10 a.m. to 2 p.m.: Ongoing: Nancy Bobskill, environmental science teacher at Agawam High School, and Rod Parlee of the Bolton, Conn., Conservation Commission, will conduct and explain rapid stream assessments. Participants will help collect samples from various streams and examine them for water purity. Meet at the Trestle Pavilion and bring rubber boots. Anyone wishing to participate can respond to the Friends Group email at robinsonfriends@comcast.net for more information.

1 p.m.: Nature walk, led by Charlie Spencer, longtime supporter of the park and experienced expert plant specialist for Stanley Park in Westfield. He will guide a comfortable walk along a particularly beautiful and peaceful stream in the park. Information will be available at the Trestle Pavilion. The meeting place will be in the parking lot adjacent to the picnic area/canoe launch.

Noon to 3 p.m.: Westfield River Canoe Cruise. The Westfield River Watershed Association will conduct its annual Canoe Cruise from the center of Westfield, down the Westfield River, to Robinson State Park. Participants must provide their own kayaks or canoes. Meet at the twin bridges on Elm Street in downtown Westfield.

The Robinson Swimming Pond will be open for swimming and exploring. Members of the Friends Group will be available at the Trestle Pavilion with photo displays and maps to answer questions and help attendees learn more about the park.

There is a standard \$5 entry fee for each vehicle that enters through the front gate at 462 North St., Feeding Hills.

# MassWorks grant sought for Walnut Street Ext. parking improvements

By Gregory A. Scibelli  
Turley Publications Correspondent

AGAWAM – The Agawam City Council on Monday unanimously approved the second reading of the Mixed Use Business Zone C proposed by Planning and Community Development Director Deborah Dachos.

Dachos said Tuesday she will begin the process of trying to get Agawam in the pipeline to receive a grant of up to \$1 million in MassWorks funding to rehabilitate and improve parking options along Walnut Street Extension. She said the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission will be providing technical assistance to help the town complete the grant application.

“They will study the area and look at what is needed to improve the traffic pattern and provide enough parking for the shopping area,” said Dachos. “I will be looking into exactly how many parking spaces are there currently and what we need for that area.”

The Planning Department will specifically be looking at the parking and traffic pattern to make it an attractive area for residents to come and shop. The new zone will encourage commercial business to come to the area.

The mixed use zone goes into effect immediately, Dachos said. Because Agawam has a city solicitor to look at the legal language, the town does not need to send their ordinances to the attorney general to be confirmed.

With the zone change now in effect, owners of the nearly 20 businesses on Walnut Street Extension can also take steps to begin improving their properties.

“The bylaw will give them the opportunity to expand their businesses within the regulations,” said Dachos. “They will be able to make changes or improve their facades as long as they do not adversely affect the surrounding business owners.”

In addition, the mixed use zone also allows for businesses to install accessory

apartments above their businesses.

“If a business owner has a second floor they want to convert into apartments, they can do that as long as it is in compliance with the building codes,” said Dachos.

The Games and Lanes property is now more attractive to potential buyers with the zone change allowing the area to be revitalized, Dachos said.

At a public hearing held May 19, Scott Petlock, owner of New England Go-Cart Events, said he was interested in purchasing the Games and Lanes property and wants to clean up the property and bring it back to its former glory as a source of recreation and entertainment for the community.

Dachos says Petlock is currently negotiating with the owner of the property and will have the benefit of a grant-funded remediation to help address the environmental hazards on the property that have hampered its sale for more than 15 years.

“I think with the zone change he (Petlock) is more motivated to purchase the property,” said Dachos.

Petlock did address the city council at the public hearing and encouraged them to approve the mixed use zone.

The zone change was voted down by the city council four months ago, but was brought back for reconsideration in May. The council passed both readings of the zone change unanimously.

# Town budget available online

AGAWAM – Mayor Richard A. Cohen has announced that the Proposed Annual Operating Fiscal Year 2015 Budget is now available to view online at <http://agawam.ma.us>.

For more information, contact the mayor’s office at 786-4520.

# Public encouraged to give the gift of life

Elm Belcher Masonic Lodge, located at 53 River St., Agawam, will hold a blood drive Wednesday, June 11, from 3 to 7 p.m. Donors will receive a free spaghetti dinner at the lodge that evening. Mercy Hospital blood collections department is also offering a patriotic T-shirt for every donor.

The public is invited to this event. Walk-ins are welcome

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# Opinion

## The road ahead

This weekend students from all over Agawam and beyond will walk across a stage and step into their future as they graduate from high school. What lies ahead of them seems so certain right now with immediate plans to attend a two-year, four-year, or even trade college. Some students may even have plans to dive right into the working world. Maybe even some have decided to take the summer off.

Whatever these students have set in place for after they receive their diplomas this weekend is just the very beginning of their young lives. From here forward they will navigate through life, trying to figure it out as they go along. But, for as certain as their plans are now, those plans may never seem so set in stone. There will be challenges along the way, and there will be tough decisions to be made. It won't always be easy, but it will be a journey.

During the past four years or more, without knowing, these students have been preparing for their transition into the "real world." Teachers, parents, coaches and others have given them challenges to figure out. They've given them responsibilities to tend to. There have even been some tough decisions to make already – like not giving into peer pressure, saying no to drugs and alcohol, defending a friend from a bully, choosing not to text and drive, among others.

The road ahead is a long one with twists, turns and bumps along the way. But, it's your road to pave and it's your journey – so make it a great one. And in the words of the great Dr. Seuss from "Oh, The Places You'll Go!"

*"You have brains in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself any direction you choose. You're on your own. And you know what you know. And YOU are the one who'll decide where to go..."*

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## Letters to the Editor

### Have we forgotten the meaning of Memorial Day?

**To the editor:**

Memorial Day has come and gone. The parade was nice, and there were so many people along the parade route showing their pride in our country; but what a shameful turnout for the service on the green after the parade.

People couldn't grab the kids, dogs and lawn chairs and high tail it out of there fast enough. Did you forget what Memorial Day is really about?

At the service was a Gold Star Family. Their son gave his life to bring us freedom. Also at the service was a wounded soldier who has undergone multiple surgeries and will need more. Everyone should have been there to thank him personally.

It was truly sad to see the poor turnout for the day. How are our children ever going to learn how it is we live in the greatest country in the world and what it costs us to get where we are today?

Our freedom wasn't given to us. It was won for us. Show your patriotic pride. We hope next year the green will be packed.

Proud Americans  
**Rose Kieffer**  
**Jeannette Denoncourt**  
**Julie Smist**

### Legion appreciates support

**To the editor:**

American Legion Post 185 would like to thank everyone who participated in our Memorial Day celebration for your continued support and generosity. Thank you so much from the bottom of our hearts.

**Ron Jean**  
**Post 185**

### Support from press appreciated

**To the editor:**

I would like to thank the *Agawam Advertiser News* for publishing our events for the past year. We would not be able to reach as many people if you did not help us with publishing our casino trips. Thank you.

**Pat Lalancette**  
**Agawam Lioness Club**

### Coach fetes Class of 2014

**To the editor:**

I grabbed a 2012 yearbook the other day and began to browse through pictures of the Class of 2014. It's amazing to see the transformations that have taken place in just two years. When I run into a senior these days, most times I have to look up to meet their eyes or do a double-take in shock at the young man or woman that I almost didn't recognize.

I'm happy to number my son, Ian, among the honorable, respectful, and mature group of young adults graduating this year. This class was built on a strong foundation and provided impressive accomplishments and successes that gave Agawam many reasons to be very proud over the course of their stay at Agawam High School. I have been honored to share in the celebration of some of their triumphs and achievements.

I want to congratulate my fellow parents, grandparents, and guardians on a job well done. Over my many years involved in Agawam youth sports and the music program at the school, I've had the privilege of coaching and meeting many of your sons and daughters. I counted over 60 young people who I've been lucky enough to work with and share in some of their memorable moments. To all of the parents and guardians of the entire Class of 2014, you have succeeded in raising a class of positive men and women with bright productive futures.

I will miss this class. Coaching so many teams filled with fine individuals has been extremely rewarding for me. I want to thank you for your efforts, your dedication, and your respect. Thank you also for all of the laughs and good times. I cannot remember a single regrettable moment with you from all my coaching years.

On a side note, the last of my boys graduates this year, but I look forward to a grandchild entering the halls of dear old Agawam High School in the years to come. I don't currently have any grandchildren, but given the traditions and prevailing attitudes in town, chances are good that in the future he or she will be learning in the same classrooms where I studied 36 years ago. Let's start making some plans for the future.

I know that you all have your own dreams, and goals and master plans. I'm sure you've also been cautioned about the possible pitfalls ahead. As hard as it is to believe, those of us that have gone before you know what we're talking about. There's no need to re-make the same mistakes or dream up new ones. Knowing as many of you as I do, I'm cautiously confident that you will take heed and continue to make wise choices. I wish all of you great success in your future endeavors and I'm sure you'll continue to make Agawam proud.

Congratulations, Class of 2014.

**Mark Paleologopoulos**  
**Feeding Hills**

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# The unforgettable ‘83s

The only Brownie to make it into the National Hockey League was Doug Janik. It was not a big surprise because his dad had played hockey at AHS and UMass and had young Doug play for the Junior Pics and Junior Whalers. Then there was the University of Maine, a steppingstone for many professional hockey players.

Brian Scoville, a ninth grade Brownie, just won the prestigious Eddie Shore Award for the best defenseman in Western Mass. His dad Phil, ‘83, did not play hockey at AHS but said Brian was mesmerized by hockey since he was five. Brian would sit in front of the TV and watch the entire game without talking to anyone.

Unfortunately for Brownie hockey, Brian will be attending Cushing Academy next year. This is not a knock on our strong hockey program at AHS, but meant to help Brian make it to Division I Hockey, the level that Phil said Brian has been aiming for.

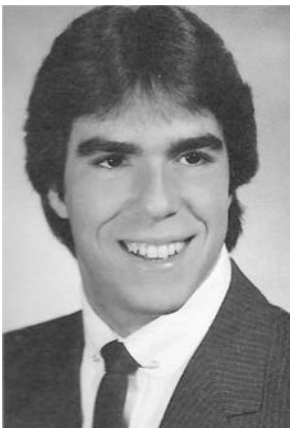
Phil Scoville is now a shop foreman for the Oshkosh Corporation of East Granby, Conn. He and his wife, Maria (Despirt), ‘86 have another son, Philip (24). Phil’s class of ‘83

was one of the most memorable classes to come out of AHS. Many of them were in my high ability algebra II class when they were 10th-graders. What a class that was; the smartest class I ever taught. The average student in the class would have been tops in another class. Someone should take the time to find out what those kids are doing now. Maybe when I retire.

Pick up the ‘83 Sachem at the library someday. You will see beautiful girls, handsome boys, smart kids and a lot of good athletes. The girls won the Western Mass. championship in soccer and the Pioneer Valley Competition in cheerleading. The boys made the Berry Division finals in hockey and won the Western Mass. championship in boys track.

The girls soccer team was led by co-captains Debbie Dalton and Maria Kozloski. Maria might be a candidate for best female athlete ever at AHS. She is certainly right up there for the best girl scholar athlete ever at AHS. She was the valedictorian of the ‘83s and is now director of pension funds for Lockheed-Martin in Bethesda, Md. She has three children - two hockey players and one swimmer.

Mike LaZazzera was the captain of the boys hockey team. He scored the only goal for Agawam when they lost 2-1 in overtime to Cathedral in the finals. In track, Mike was second in the 100-yard dash in the Western Mass finals. He said that Agawam didn’t win first place until Tony Demos won



Michael LaZazzera



Else Von Hollander



Phil Scoville

half a point when he tied for sixth in the pole vault, the last event of the competition. Mike is working on his doctorate at Springfield College right now after spending many years as an assistant and head coach of minor league hockey teams. For two years he was the video coach for the New York Islanders. His role was to scout opponents in advance and tell the team as much as he could.

Four of the ‘83s became professional jai alai players - Bob Desimone, Mark Longhi, Bob Eggleston and Tom Lockwood. They have other careers now that jai alai is gone from this area but years ago, their names were in the sports section often.

EDITOR’S NOTE: Walt Willard went to AHS and taught math there for 16 years. He can be reached at 786-7924. Call him. Walt loves your feedback and any and all information or tidbits you can offer.

## Seniors

### Agawam Senior Center

#### Weekly calendar of events

Monday, June 9: 8 a.m., Weight Training; 8:15 a.m., Yoga; 9 a.m., Painting Club; 9:30 a.m., Line Dancing; 11:30 a.m., Gentle Yoga; 1 p.m., Free Shingles Seminar by Rite Aid (Garden Room), Bingo; 5 p.m., Zumba Gold.

Tuesday, June 10: 9 a.m., Exercise, Knitting, Sewing, Shuffleboard (meet at St. John’s courts); 10 a.m., PACE; 12:30 p.m., Ladies Billiards, Mah Jongg, Movie (“Enough Said”); 1 p.m., Mexican Train Game; 4:30 p.m., Yoga; 6 p.m., Beginner Line Dance; 6:30 p.m., Evening Sewing Class.

Wednesday, June 11: 8 a.m., Weight Training; 8:15 a.m., Yoga; 9:45 a.m., Gentle Yoga; 12:30 p.m., Bridge; 1 p.m., Scrabble, Ballroom Lessons; 1:30 p.m., Golden Agers Chapter 1 Meeting; 5 p.m., Zumba Gold.

Thursday, June 12: Senior Center Memorial Service (by invitation); 9 a.m., Exercise; 9:30 a.m., Quilting; 10 a.m., Line Dancing; 12:30 p.m., Bridge; 1 p.m., Pitch; 2 p.m., Melody Band Practice; 6:30 p.m., Pitch.

Friday, June 13: 8 a.m., Yoga; 9:15 a.m., All Media Art Class; 11:30 a.m., Father’s Day Luncheon; Noon, Canasta; 1 p.m., Pitch, Cribbage; 5 p.m., Zumba Gold.

#### Lunch menu

Monday, June 9: Split pea soup, ham and cheese grinder, lettuce and tomato, bananas.

Tuesday, June 10: Meatloaf with gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, diced pears.

Wednesday, June 11: Fried chicken, macaroni salad, tomato and cucumber salad, peaches.

Thursday, June 12: Lasagna primavera, spring salad, pudding.

Friday, June 13: Barbeque pork, potato salad, corn on the cob, homemade cheese biscuits, strawberry shortcake.

## Music museum on hold

The grand opening of the exhibit by chorus director Darcy Davis, “America in the 20th Century,” originally scheduled for Saturday, June 7, at 954 Wright St., has been postponed.

## School Committee meeting agenda

Roberta G. Doering School  
68 Main Street  
Tuesday, June 10 - 7 p.m.

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Moment of Silence
- 3. Roll Call of Attendance
- 4. Regular Meeting – 7 p.m.
- 5. Citizen’s Speak Time:
- 6. Highlights on Education:
  - a. Clark School National Social Studies League Team
  - b. Clark School National Science League Team
  - c. Presentation of the 2014 Retirees
- 7. Superintendent’s Notes:
- 8. Student Advisory Committee Representative Update
- 9. Unfinished Business:
  - a. SCR-14-17, Acceptance of \$5,000.00 donation from AIC to Granger School for purchase of Bright Links Projectors

- b. SCR-14-18, Adoption of the 2014-2015 School Improvement Plans
- 10. Business Meeting:
  - a. Routine Matters
    - 1) Approval of Minutes
    - 2) Calendar/Correspondence
  - b. Warrants/Transfers
  - c. Reports:
    - 1) Scheduled Reports:
      - Drop Out/Withdrawals Update (paper report)
      - Non-Graduating Seniors (paper report)
      - LPVEC Program Update – Dr. Anne McKenzie
    - 2). Subcommittee Updates
  - 11. New Business: None
  - 12. Personnel:
    - a. Introduction of new Assistant Principal at Doering School Mr. Chad Joyal
  - 13. Any Other Items That May Legally Come Before the Committee
  - 14. Adjournment

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# Agawam school nurses seek pay parity

## NURSES, from page 1

another district. She said recent ads to hire school nurses for Agawam haven't attracted one serious applicant.

### Eliminating the wage gap

School nurses – who work for the health department, not the school department – are the only town employees currently without a new contract. Their previous contract expired nearly a year ago. MNA and Pasteris are negotiating a new contract with the mayor through the town's lawyers. She said their goal is to eliminate what they say is a wide disparity between what Agawam pays and what surrounding districts pay.

Bargaining couldn't begin until February because nurses had changed union representation from a private lawyer to the MNA. "The town said it didn't recognize our new representation, so we had to file with the state Department of Labor Relations for the second time in four years," said Pasteris.

She added that nurses switched to MNA because it has had successes with other school nurse contracts. "MNA representatives made themselves available to us, met with our group, and answered our questions. They made us feel empowered and prepared for the challenge," she said.

Bargaining a new contract has been challenging. Pasteris said her group is focusing only on wages in negotiations because of the "great disparity" discovered by a recent salary survey conducted by the union. The town's initial offer was a 1 percent salary increase in each year of a three-year contract.

"That's clearly nowhere near the 13 to 29 percent salary deficit that we are working under," said Pasteris.

### Nurses say latest offer is unacceptable

After six bargaining sessions – the last one May 21 – the offer on the table is 2 percent, 1.5 percent, and 1.5 percent. The town has also proposed dropping the bottom two steps and adding two steps at the top. Pasteris said that won't solve the disparity.

"Our last step is number 8 and nurses must wait until they've worked 20 years for the town to reach that step. Plus, there's a 12-year wait to move from step 7 to step 8," she said.

Pasteris said the latest offer is not acceptable, adding that it "shows that the disrespect continues and that parity with surrounding town's school nurses doesn't seem to be a priority with the town."

When asked to comment on the negotiations, Mayor Richard Cohen said he didn't believe it was productive to negotiate in the press. He issued a statement that said: "I appreciate [the nurses] concerns and I am hopeful that the negotiations will result in an agreement that is beneficial to both the town and the union."

## Agawam nurses' salaries lowest in area

According to a recent survey by Agawam nurses, the top salary for a school nurse leader in Agawam – \$47,803 – is the lowest among many surrounding districts. Compared to other Hampden County school nurses, salaries for Agawam nurses are 29 percent lower than comparable nurses and 40 percent lower for nurse leaders. The survey compared school nurse leader salaries for the 2011-12 school year. The survey found that East Longmeadow – the next lowest in salary – paid nurses \$11,000 more than Agawam.

Other districts paying salaries higher than Agawam included Westfield (\$77,000), Northampton (\$73,000), and West Springfield (\$63,000). Even some smaller districts – like Belchertown (\$63,000) and Granby (\$68,000) – ranked higher than Agawam. The highest-paid nurses were in Chicopee, which paid its nurse leaders \$84,000.

"How can Agawam expect to attract and retain school nurses when our neighboring communities are paying salaries that are attracting school nurse applicants," said Pasteris, a nurse leader at the high school. She added that "nurses see this as a lack of respect" for the vital services they provide.

Pasteris said Agawam's nurses provide services to kindergarten through grade 12 at seven schools, plus preschoolers at the Early Child-

hood Center. They are responsible for the health concerns of the students and staff in these schools and often deal with the health concerns of school visitors as well.

### More than 50,000 patients

By the end of this school year, Agawam nurses estimate they will have a total of more than 50,000 patients. They range from routine office visits to administering medications to dealing with accidents and other incidents that require further medical evaluation.

"Our scope is very broad," said Pasteris. "We care for the child with the tummy ache but also the sports injuries, life-threatening allergies, diabetes, heart conditions, seizure disorders and the increasing needs of disabled children who are now included in regular public education."

Agawam's school nurses are RNs who are licensed to practice by the State Board of Nursing. According to Pasteris, they are accountable to practice in accordance with current professional standards of school nursing practice as stated by the National Association of School Nurses as well as state laws, rules and regulations.

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– AHS Nurse Leader  
Mary Pasteris

# ASBAC receive donations from area businesses

The Agawam Small Business Assistance Center (ASBAC) received funding recently from several area businesses, including United Bank, Easthampton Savings Bank and Six Flags New England.

"The ASBAC would like to thank these businesses for their generous donations and the help that this funding will bring to new business owners," said Dee Ferrero, ASBAC president.

ASBAC relies strictly on donations from regional and local businesses. All of its ser-

vices are free to the public. The ASBAC assists new business owners and current owners with information, education and direction in working their small business. ASBAC works with different agencies, including Score and the SBA. They also offer free workshops and seminars throughout the year with guest speakers that are professionals in their fields.

To volunteer or make an appointment with ASBAC for its free services, visit [www.asbac.net](http://www.asbac.net).

# CPA committee submits annual budget

## BUDGET, from page 1

by four city councilors. Some members of the public inquired about the prospect of spending money on affordable housing for senior citizens and commented on the growing need for senior housing.

CPA Committee member Corinne Wingard said the Agawam City Council has created a Housing Committee to start looking at the housing needs in the community. That committee will hopefully start to explore options to develop more senior and affordable housing in town.

According to statistics from the CPA, nearly all of the affordable housing run by the Agawam Housing Authority is occupied, and there is a wait list of more than 400 people to get into affordable housing. The housing authority had suspended taking applications because the wait time was more than three years. They recently restarted taking applications.

One resident had suggested the town use preserved land that cannot be developed

and start a community garden. Community gardens allow individuals who do not have available land on their properties to rent or buy a small plot of farmland to grow plants or crops.

Another individual asked about preserving land that is owned by Western Massachusetts Electric Company in Feeding Hills. Kozloski said if the land was purchased, Route 57 could not be completed.

"Once the land is preserved, it cannot be developed or paved on," said Kozloski. "The Route 57 project would be over."

Kozloski did say there was other land in the area the CPA Committee was looking at for the possibility of creating nature trails. Another suggestion was creating an ice-skating park for local children and families.

During the past 10 years, the CPA fund been helped by more than \$3 million from the state and from grants. There is currently about \$2.5 million in the CPA fund. Some funds could be used in the near future to rehabilitate the Agawam High School athletic fields.

# Fire department receives next round of funding for radios

## RADIOS, from page 1

spending will allow the replacement of all department radios during the next couple of years. He says the radios currently being utilized by many of the firefighters are at the end of their recommended life cycle. In addition, the radios, which are manufactured by Motorola, are no longer supported by the company.

"We cannot send them for repairs or get replacement parts for them," said Sirois.

He says each radio costs approximately \$1,000. The radios come with accessories, including a case, hand microphone, battery charger, and additional battery pack. With the accessories, Sirois estimates about 27 radios will be purchased with the transfer approval passed unanimously by the Agawam City Council at their regular meeting on Monday night.

The purchase will take care of the majority of the full-time staff. The remaining full-timers will get replacements next year. Sirois said the department replaced the radios that were the most aged or damaged first so all firefighters have functioning equipment.

"These radios can end up taking a lot of

abuse," said Sirois. "They got thrown around or hit against things when firefighters are trying to fight a fire. They definitely get battered around. We have to send them to be repaired sometimes."

Sirois said the new radios have similar technology to the current radio and include a customized programming for each firefighter that is in possession of one.

"If a firefighter is in trouble, their identification will be displayed when they radio in," said Sirois. "That ID will come up with the dispatcher and allow us to know who is in trouble and find their position. Those radios are the second-most important piece of equipment a firefighter carries aside from their breathing apparatus."

Other features of the radio are similar, though battery life has improved on the new models, Sirois said. The radios have a life expectancy of about 10 years, but Sirois said the firefighters do what they can to take care of them.

"We try to stretch out the life of these radios as much as possible," said Sirois. "We do try to be conscious of the taxpayers when it comes to how we take care of our equipment."

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# Families

## News, upcoming events at Springfield Turnverein

The Springfield Turnverein, located at 60 North Westfield St., Feeding Hills, is planning a “Beer and Wine Festival” Oktoberfest-style on Friday, Aug. 22, and Saturday, Aug. 23, and is in need of volunteers to assist in the planning and running of the event.

Anyone interested in volunteering is asked to contact Ed Hamel by phone at (413) 478-0821 or email at edhamel123@comcast.net or leave your name at the club.

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A five-class Introduction to the German Language class will run from Wednesday, July 9, through Wednesday, Aug. 6. The sessions are intended to be an informal introduction into the sound system of German and an opportunity to learn some conversational phrases. Barron’s “Learn German the

Fun and Easy Way,” third edition will be used as a basic resource. It is available at local book stores or online.

Classes will run from 7-8 p.m. Tuition is \$5 per class or \$20 for five sessions and does not include the cost of the text. The deadline to register is June 28. For more information, call the club at 786-0924.

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Entertainment by different bands is offered every Friday night at the Turnverein and Saturdays feature karaoke beginning at 8 p.m. The public is welcome.

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The Turnverein is looking for German beer steins to be donated to the club for decorations in the bar area. Donations may be dropped off at the bar area.

# Morello crowned ‘Miss Junior Diamond Dancer’

Vanni Morello, 12, of Feeding Hills, recently attended the Kids for Kids dance competition in North Haven, Conn., where she was crowned Miss Junior Diamond Dancer 2014.

Morello, a seventh-grade student at Agawam Junior High School, performed a lyrical solo to “Silent Night.” She is a student at The Dance Slipper in Southwick under the direction of Brenda Barna and has been with the studio for 11 years.

The vision behind Kids for Kids, a non-profit organization, is that “kids can help kids.” This year, over \$59,000 was donated to charities all over the country.



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## On the shelf at the Agawam Library...

**Retirement workshop**

The public is invited to attend a retirement income-planning workshop at the Agawam Public Library Thursday, June 12, at 6 p.m. This workshop will define and explain the three major financial challenges of retirement planning: longevity, rising costs and market uncertainty. It is projected that over 43 percent of Americans aged 39 to 65 will lack adequate income to pay for basic expenses and uninsured health care costs during retirement. The program will help participants begin to plan a smart strategy that can provide a guaranteed retirement income stream. Samuel Yawson and Ryan Hanson, financial professionals from Prudential, will be at the meeting with ideas to help prepare a

lifetime of savings into income for life.

Seating for this program is limited. For more information or to register, call Hanson at (860) 512-2275, or email ryan.hanson@prudential.com.

**Photography display**

For the month of June, the library will showcase the photographs of Sean Leahy on the gallery walls. Leahy grew up in Connecticut and has been a resident of Agawam for 15 years. He enjoys taking pictures of birds and has traveled all over New England to photograph different types of birds.

# Public Safety

## POLICE LOG

*The Agawam Police Department responded to 347 calls for service from May 27 to June 2. The department made 7 arrests. Those arrested will appear at a future date in Westfield District Court and are innocent until proven guilty.*

**Thursday, May 29**

A juvenile from Agawam was arrested on a charge of violation of abuse prevention order.

Timothy F. Sugrue, 33, of 262 Cooper St., Apt. ST, Agawam, was arrested on charges of operating under the influence of liquor, negligent operation of a motor vehicle, and marked lanes violation.

**Friday, May 30**

Ryan N. Borchers, 18, of 42 Stafford Road, Wales, was arrested on charges of disorderly conduct, assault and battery on a

police officer, resisting arrest, and breaking and entering into a motor vehicle.

David A. Stoddard, 44, of 86 Ottawa St., Agawam, was arrested on a charge of municipal by-law or ordinance violation.

**Saturday, May 31**

Deven Jonathon Girard, 22, of 28 Entrybrook Drive, Springfield, was arrested on charges of vandalizing property - defacement of real or personal property, and domestic assault and battery.

Wade Ross Giorgini, 47, of 15 Alfred St., Agawam, was arrested on a charge of domestic assault and battery.

**Sunday, June 1**

Terrance Shular, 20, of 45 Montclair St., Springfield, was arrested on a charge of disorderly conduct.

# FIRE LOG

*The Agawam Fire Department responded to 65 EMS calls and the following emergency response calls for the week from May 27 to June 2.*

On May 27 at 1:58 p.m., the department responded to Brookfield Lane for false alarm or false call, other.

On May 27 at 2:37 p.m., the department responded to Springfield Street for motor vehicle accident with injuries.

On May 27 at 6:54 p.m., the department responded to Birch Hill Road for arcing, shorted electrical equipment.

On May 28 at 1:07 a.m., the department responded to Kensington Street for lockout.

On May 29 at 1:03 a.m., the department responded to South West Street for malicious, mischievous false call, other.

On May 29 at 7:47 a.m., the department responded to Forest Hill Road for public service assistance, other.

On May 29 at 10:31 a.m., the department responded to Cardinal Drive for smoke from barbecue, tar kettle.

On May 29 11:38 a.m., the department responded to Silver Street for motor vehicle accident with injuries.

On May 29 at 4:02 p.m., the department responded to Leonard Street for service call, other.

On May 30 at 5:58 a.m., the department

responded to Castle Hills Road for service call, other.

On May 31 at 10:23 a.m., the department responded to Springfield Street for lockout.

On May 31 at 1:57 p.m., the department responded to School Street for lockout.

On May 31 at 2:23 p.m., the department responded to South Westfield Street for alarm system activation, no fire – unintentional.

On May 31 at 7:15 p.m., the department responded to Southwick Street for false alarm or false call, other.

On June 1 at 4:29 a.m., the department responded to Regency Park Drive and was cancelled en route.

On June 1 at 10:52 a.m., the department responded to Route 57 rotary for motor vehicle accident with no injuries.

On June 1 at 2:06 p.m., the department responded to Kosak Court for service call, other.

On June 1 at 7:40 p.m., the department responded to Route 57 rotary for motor vehicle accident with injuries.

On June 2 at 4:48 p.m., the department responded to Route 5 South for motor vehicle accident with no injuries.

On June 2 at 4:39 p.m., the department responded to Hemlock Ridge for smoke detector activation due to malfunction.

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## Car wash to fund benefit car show

The Friends of Jaime S. Rivera will host a car wash Saturday, June 7, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Sacred Heart Church, 1103 Springfield St. Feeding Hills.

Cost is \$5 per car, with all proceeds to help fund the seventh annual Benefit Car Show July 27 in honor of Jaime S. Rivera. Rain date for the car show is Aug. 2. All proceeds from that event will be split between Shriners Hospital for Children and Racing Against Cancer.

For more information, visit [www.friendsofjaimesrivera.com](http://www.friendsofjaimesrivera.com).



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Jeremie Lambert will manage the Park Square Realty Rental Division. She has been a Realtor with Park Square Realty since 2006. Lambert previously worked as a property manager for several years.



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**Jeremie Lambert will manage the newly-formed rental division of Park Square Realty, which has offices in Feeding Hills and Westfield.**

For more information and to set up an appointment, call Lambert at (413) 454-4089.

Tickets available for WRC Annual Meeting

The West of the River Chamber of Commerce (WRC) will host its Annual Breakfast Meeting, Thursday, June 19, at 7 a.m. at Chez Josef in Agawam.

The event is sponsored by OMG and Development Associates, and will kick off with the welcoming of new chairman John Weiss and the incoming WRC board of directors.

Following the introductions will be a special presentation by John Chapin, an award-winning speaker, author, trainer and coach. Chapin has more than 24 years of extensive sales, customer service and sales management experience.

Sponsorship opportunities are still available as well as advertisement space in the program booklet, including “Preferred Sponsor” for \$250 or as low as \$50 for an ad in the program.

Tickets, which are available now, are \$25 for chamber members and \$30 for non-members.

The public is invited. For more information on sponsorship opportunities or booklet advertisements, or to register for the event, call (413) 426-3880.

Legal Notices

**AGAWAM ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT**  
**May 12, 2014**

Notice is hereby given that the Agawam Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at the Agawam Public Library Conference Room, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam, MA on **Monday, June 23, 2014 at 6:30PM** for all parties interested in the appeal of Dragon Paradise LLC, which is seeking a Special Permit in accordance with Section 180-7 of the Town of Agawam’s Zoning Ordinances to allow for a business in a non-conforming structure at the premises identified as 270 Main Street.

**Doreen Prouty** Chairperson  
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Date: May 22, 2014

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Register of Probate  
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**NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES**  
1. Hearing Date/Time: A hearing on a Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor filed on 05/21/2014 by **Jeanne E Rose** of Springfield, MA will be held 06/18/2014 01:15 PM Guardianship of Minor Hearing Located 50 State Street, 4th Floor Springfield, MA 01103  
2. Response to Petition: You may respond by filing a written response to the Petition or by appearing in person at the hearing. If you choose to file a written response, you need to:  
File the original with the Court; and  
Mail a copy to all interested parties at least five (5) business days before the hearing.  
3. Counsel for the Minor:

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court 50 State Street Springfield, MA 01103 (413)748-7758**  
**Docket No. HD14P1044GD**  
**In the Interests of Elizabeth J LaCroix Of Feeding Hills, MA**  
**Minor**  
**NOTICE AND ORDER: Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor**

The minor (or an adult on behalf of the minor) has the right to request that counsel be appointed for the minor.

4. Presence of the Minor at Hearing: A minor over age 14 has the right to be present at any hearing, unless the Court finds that it is not in the minor’s best interests.  
Date: May 21, 2014

**Suzanne T Seguin**  
Register of Probate  
06/05/2014

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Hampden Probate and Family Court 50 State Street Springfield, MA 01103 (413)748-7758**  
**Docket No. HD99P1053EP1**  
**Estate of:**

**ELSE A MORETTI**  
**Date of Death: 02/12/1999**  
**CITATION ON PETITION FOR ORDER TO RENDER**  
To all interested persons:  
A Petition has been filed by: **CHRISTINE M. PERRONE** of North Reading MA and requesting that the Court enter an Order that **NINO C. MORETTI** of Stuart FL be ordered to render an Account and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.  
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court.  
You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on 06/20/2014.

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return date, action may be taken without further notice to you.

WITNESS, Hon. **Anne M Geoffrion**, First Justice of this Court.  
Date: May 29, 2014

**Suzanne T. Seguin**  
Register of Probate  
06/06/2014

**LEGAL NOTICE**  
**PUBLIC HEARING – AGAWAM CITY COUNCIL**

The Agawam City Council will conduct a public hearing on **Monday, June 23, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.** at a Regular Meeting of the Agawam City Council, at the Roberta G. Doering School, 68 Main Street, Agawam, MA on the proposed Annual Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2015 as submitted to the City Council by the Mayor. The Annual Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2015 is available for public inspection at the City Clerk’s Office, 36 Main Street, Agawam, MA between the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. The Annual Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2015 is also available at the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam, MA and the Agawam Senior Center, 954 Main Street, Agawam, MA

BY ORDER OF: **Christopher C. Johnson** City Council President

DEPARTMENT	Pesonnel Services	Purchased Services	Supplies	Capital Outlay	TOTAL
GENERAL OPERATING BUDGET					
Council	\$162,395	\$15,600	\$500	\$0	\$178,495
Mayor	\$309,289	\$1,200	\$0	\$0	\$310,489
Administrative Building	\$10,300	\$203,575	\$0	\$0	\$213,875
Law Department	\$68,800	\$68,500	\$0	\$0	\$137,300
Auditor	\$155,264	\$125	\$0	\$0	\$155,389
Clerk/Elections	\$236,460	\$2,655	\$0	\$0	\$239,115
Assessor	\$212,638	\$50,000	\$0	\$0	\$262,638
IT Department	\$164,096	\$62,135	\$0	\$17,000	\$243,231
Treasurer/Collector	\$289,951	\$32,500	\$0	\$4,800	\$327,251
Police Department	\$4,582,170	\$150,108	\$51,277	\$251,695	\$5,035,250
Fire Department	\$3,749,257	\$113,850	\$47,750	\$0	\$3,910,857
Inspection Services	\$275,034	\$0	\$300	\$0	\$275,034
Health Department	\$597,548	\$5,100	\$2,750	\$0	\$605,398
Community Development	\$130,060	\$294	\$0	\$0	\$136,354
Agawam Public Library	\$909,772	\$4,350	\$122,852	\$0	\$1,036,974
Parks & Recreation	\$162,195	\$11,500	\$1,000	\$3,400	\$178,095
Council on Aging	\$290,577	\$81,300	\$0	\$0	\$371,877
Public Works Administration	\$92,747	\$3,800	\$50	\$0	\$96,597
Highway & Grounds	\$1,253,252	\$293,180	\$407,065	\$0	\$1,953,497
Motor Vehicle Maintenance	\$134,752	\$62,115	\$473,620	\$0	\$670,487
Engineering	\$184,635	\$18,292	\$1,200	\$0	\$204,127
Building Maintenance	\$2,193,345	\$1,675,929	\$145,522	\$0	\$4,014,796
Agawam Public Schools					\$36,952,524
Emergency Management	\$18,300	\$16,500	\$0	\$0	\$34,800
Line Items					\$20,776,024
TOTAL – GENERAL OPERATING BUDGET					\$81,320,474
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BUDGET					\$788,295
TOTAL GENERAL FUND					\$82,108,769
SELF SUSTAINING DEPARTMENTS					
Agawam Municipal Golf Course	\$314,135	\$121,800	\$116,400	\$0	\$552,335
Agawam Municipal Golf Course Equipment				\$0	\$0
Agawam Municipal Golf Course Total					\$552,335
Water Department	\$836,029	\$3,512,759	\$367,583	\$0	\$4,716,371
Water Capital Improvement Budget				\$47,147	\$47,147
Water Total					\$4,763,518
Wastewater Department	\$561,863	\$2,733,680	\$57,705	\$0	\$3,353,248
Wastewater Capital Improvement Budget				\$160,000	\$160,000
Wastewater Total					\$3,513,248
TOTAL – SELF SUSTAINING DEPARTMENTS					\$8,829,101
TOTAL – GENERAL FUND AND SELF SUSTAINING DEPARTMENTS					\$90,937,870

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# In the Classroom

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## Agawam Schools' weekly lunch menu

**AGAWAM HIGH SCHOOL**  
The Agawam High School lunch menu is posted on the school's website.

**AGAWAM JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL**  
**ROBERTA G. DOERING SCHOOL**  
**AGAWAM ELEMENTARY**  
**SCHOOLS**

Monday, June 9: Chicken nuggets with dipping sauce, steamed white rice, seasoned green beans, fresh and chilled fruit.

Tuesday, June 10: Barbeque rib on whole-



AHS graduate Lisa Hersey made a second visit to the speak to the school's visual arts classes recently as part of the Visiting Guest Artist program made possible by the Agawam Cultural Council.

with the school's mission statement, "Joyous and Forever Loyal," a part of the school song was chosen. Hersey's finished panel will be hung at the entrance to the gym. "Seeing the words brings a smile to your face, a sense of community within the school," she said.

The Agawam Cultural Council, a local cultural council, sponsors the Visiting Guest Artist program for AHS visual art classes. The event was hosted by National Art Honor teachers Deb Florek and Amber Walters.

## AHS retirement party set for June 12

## Campus Notes...

lence Award at the Honors Convocation. She was also inducted into the Alpha Chi National Scholarship Recognition Society and was named to the provost list for the spring semester and to the president's list.

Worcester Polytechnic Institute: Thomas Walker, of Agawam, and Brianna Newton and Gaetano Scuderi, of Feeding Hills, were named to the spring semester dean's list.

## Springfield Museums participate in Blue Star Program


the duration of the program to any active duty member of the military (Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Coast Guard, National Guard and Reserve, U.S. Public Health Service Commissioned Corps, and NOAA Commissioned Corps) and up to five family members. At the time of entry, military members must show a Geneva Convention Common Access card (CAC), a DD Form 1173 card, or a DD Form 1173-1 ID card. Participants will receive general admission to all four Springfield Museums; planetarium shows or other special program fees are not included.

## DiPietro returns from study abroad



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# Drivable dreams fuel nostalgic mood at Heritage Hall car show

## CAR SHOW, from page 1

white 1957 Corvette convertible, it seemed appropriate that the theme song from “Route 66” – an iconic 1960s TV series about two guys in a Corvette convertible – played in the background.

Old cars, old music, old friends and a good time brought Southwick residents Mary and William Alaimo and their pearl and white 1957 Chevy 210 four-door sedan to the show. Alaimo said he saw a flyer advertising the show while he was at Heritage Hall rehabilitating from back surgery.

“I told my wife, we have to come here,” added Alaimo, who said he hits all the local car shows. But it was his first time at this show. “It’s a nice place to have a show,” he said.

### Show supports care for Alzheimer’s patients

Melinda Bolduc, program director for HHN’s Alzheimer’s unit, organized the May 31 show to raise funds for the Alzheimer’s Association, a national nonprofit group that enhances care and support for people affected by Alzheimer’s and other dementias.

Bolduc planned the health-care facility’s first car show last year when she was recreational directory at Heritage Hall West. She had scheduled the second year’s show for May 17, but was forced to postpone it because threatening weather was forecast. Despite some on and off showers during show that kept away some car owners and spectators, Bolduc said it was a success.

“We had more than 30 vehicles and raised more than \$300 from raffle tickets and food sales. People who came enjoyed seeing the old cars. Best of all, our residents and staff bonded by talking about their favorite cars,” she said.

They also helped pick this year’s trophy winners. Westfield resident Dick Seidell took best of show with his 1956 Chevy sedan while another Westfield resident, William Mevnier, won the staff’s choice for his dark blue 2010 Ford Mustang. A red and white 1957 Corvette convertible owned by Holyoke resident David McGarrigle won the residents’ choice trophy. Agawam resident Donald Cook, who came back to the show for a second year with his green and white 1956 Buick Special four-door hardtop, picked up the trophy for best paint.

Local DJ Gary Francis, who helped Bolduc organize both shows, again served as emcee while playing some of his favorite music from the ‘50s and ‘60s. He said the event is a fundraiser first and a car show second.

### Nostalgic-based picnic

Francis called the show “a nostalgic-based picnic” for car owners, spectators and nursing-home residents. “People come, grab a burger or hot dog and wander around the cars. The owners enjoy talking about their cars – every car has a story – and the cars evoke pleasant memories for everyone,” he said.

Feeding Hills resident Stephen Pacitti showed off his purple – he calls it Hawaiian Orchid – 1932 Ford five-window coupe he completed just two months ago. It took him five years to build the car from the frame up.

“It’s not really a ‘32 Ford; it’s a replica with a fiberglass body. I couldn’t afford the real thing, but this looks just like a customized coupe,” he said.

Pacitti said he came to the show because he wanted to support Heritage Hall. “It’s nice to come out for a cause like this. Car cruise groups try to support these events because it helps a cause and it helps us to grow our hobby.”

Joe Davidson’s vintage pickup truck looked more like a street rod than a post-World War II pickup truck. The 1946 Dodge was painted cobalt blue with ice blue flames on the front and rear fenders.

“I liked the looks of it and wanted a street rod. Plus, Dodge trucks of this era are rarer than the Ford and Chevrolet trucks,” the Agawam resident said.

### Fun Ford his dream car

Jim Fiddler, of Southwick, had always craved owning a Model A Ford when he was a kid, but the 1931 Model A Ford Tudor he now owns barely resembles the original Model As. It’s totally customized and painted a deep burgundy.

“I like the look of older cars, but I like the modern creature comforts – heat, air conditioning – of newer cars,” he said.

The bottom of the Ford was completely rusted away when he bought it 18 years ago, so he decided to customize it rather than restore it. The Model A features parts from various modern cars: an engine and transmission from a 1972 Chevy pickup, a telescoping and tilting steering wheel from a 1992 Cadillac, and lumbar bucket seats from a 1992 Saturn.

“I just have a lot of fun with it,” said Fiddler. “I enjoy the hobby. I couldn’t afford a Model A when I was a kid, so this car is like a lifetime dream come true.”



Southwick resident Jim Fiddler shows off his dream car – a customized 1931 Model A Ford. He likes the looks of older cars but customized it so he could add modern creature comforts like air conditioning.



Agawam resident Donald Cook won the trophy for best paint for his spectacular stock green and white 1956 Buick Special four-door hardtop.



Thelma Scott, left, and her sister, Karon Tyler, admire gleaming vintage vehicles at the second annual Heritage Hall Car Show at the Agawam health-care facility. A resident of Heritage Hall North, Scott said cars and trucks from the 1950s and 1960s brought back many fond memories.



Feeding Hills resident Stephen Pacitti, left, converses with Heritage Hall resident Art Fournier about Pacitti’s purple ‘32 Ford five-window coupe he completed just two months ago.



Rows of vintage cars and trucks line the parking lot at the second annual Heritage Hall Car Show at the Agawam health-care facility on May 31.

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# Residents rally at Relay For Life of Agawam



Overnight showers turned the high school's sports track into an obstacle course, but teams were undeterred as they closed out the 2014 Relay For Life of Agawam with one final lap under brilliant blue skies.



There were many emotional embraces when survivors and caregivers met in the middle of the sports track at Agawam High School during the ceremonial kickoff lap, known as the "Survivor's Lap."



Agawam businessman Jeff Sarat was the featured speaker at the opening ceremonies for this year's Relay. The general manager of Sarat Ford Lincoln talked about why he and his family have been involved with the Relay For Life for nearly 20 years.

The third annual American Cancer Society Relay For Life of Agawam was held May 16-17 at Agawam High School's track and sports field. Nearly 650 people – most of them local residents – came together to spend hours walking the track in support of the Relay's cause: eradicating cancer and saving lives. The 16-hour event raised nearly \$90,000 – \$20,000 above goal – in the fight against cancer.

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Agawam Mayor Richard Cohen stopped by the Relay For Life of Agawam to offer his support and deliver brief remarks during the opening ceremonies.



Despite the gloomy weather forecast, nearly 650 participants joined the fight against cancer by walking around the sports track at Agawam High School for the 2014 Relay For Life of Agawam.



Kerri Tichy and Brian Phillips, of Southwick, members of Team Attitude of Gratitude, get into the swing of things at the Relay.



Gay Bronsord, left, a 47-year cancer survivor from West Springfield, gets a hug from her friend, Louise Laine, before the start of the 2014 Relay For Life of Agawam. Laine travelled from Quebec so she could be at the Relay with her friend.



Janine Iacolo, event chair for the 2014 Relay For Life of Agawam, and Kait Walsh, Channel 22 news personality and emcee for the opening ceremonies, perform a dance routine during a break between guest speakers.



One of the most popular kids' activities at the Relay For Life of Agawam was a special "climbing wall" that allowed them to test their mountaineering skills by scaling an artificial mountain.



# SPORTS

## Brownies repeat as Western Mass champs

*Down Terriers in three straight*

By Gregory A. Scibelli  
Turley Publications  
Sports Correspondent

AGAWAM – It was a clean sweep for the Agawam boys volleyball team as they took it to the Terriers and won three quick sets in just over an hour to win their second straight Western Massachusetts Championship Monday night at Holyoke Community College.

The Brownies swept through all three teams they faced in the sectional tournament, not being defeated in a single game. But against West Springfield, Agawam did have to earn every point as the surprise Terriers gave them everything they had with a strong group of strikers in their own right.

James Kukharchuk really challenged Agawam and kept the Terriers in each game of the three-game set. But he was no match for Agawam’s teamwork, chemistry, and most importantly, depth.

“We have great team chemistry

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For the second straight year, the Agawam boys volleyball team captured the Western Mass championship. The Brownies beat West Springfield, 3-0, on Monday night.

## Tough half too much for Brownies

By Gregory A. Scibelli  
Turley Publications  
Sports Correspondent

AGAWAM – The Agawam boys lacrosse team played poorly in the second half as they fell in the first round of the West/Central Division II Tournament last Tuesday afternoon.

The teams were tied 2-2 after a very low-scoring first half. But the second half started with a downpour and Minnechaug was able to get through the conditions and scored four times in the third quarter to take a 6-2 lead and take command of the game.

Agawam could not put passes

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Several players vie for a loose ball near midfield.

## Lady Pacers stun Agawam in quarters

By Gregory A. Scibelli  
Turley Publications  
Sports Correspondent

AGAWAM – The Chicopee softball team scored a huge upset Monday afternoon as they overturned a 6-0 Agawam lead and scored a pair in the eighth inning to defeat Agawam 8-7 in eight innings in the quarterfinals of the Western Massachusetts Division II Tournament.

Ashley Rivest led off the top of the eighth inning with a single and Shannon Denault reached on a single that moved Rivest along to third base. Kylie Ratelle would then hit a single to plate the first run of the eighth to make it 7-6 Chicopee.

Later in the inning, Katherine Setterstrom hit a sacrifice fly to drive in another run.

Trailing 8-6, Agawam pitcher Allison Wheeler hit a one-out triple and came to the plate on a single by Danielle Stratton. But that was the last the Brownies were able to muster as they were ousted from the tournament after winning a sectional championship in each of the past two seasons and going to the state finals last year.

Poor fielding was what led to Agawam’s demise. In the top of the seventh inning with the Pacers down 6-2, Chicopee put runners at the corners with one out. Denault then socked a double that sent two runners to the plate and got Chicopee closed in down 6-4.

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Maria Moccio swings at a pitch.

## Lady Brownies hold off Marlboro

By Gregory A. Scibelli  
Turley Publications  
Sports Correspondent

AGAWAM – Last Wednesday, the Agawam girls lacrosse team overcame a great second half effort by Marlboro and the Brownies prevailed 16-11 in the opening game of the West/Central Massachusetts Division I Tournament.

Agawam completely dominated the first half of the game, taking an 11-3 lead over the visitors from near Eastern Massachusetts.

Marlboro made some noise in the second half when they scored several goals during the middle minutes, but Agawam was able to keep enough distance to pick up

the victory and move into the quarterfinals of the tournament.

No. 8 Agawam got things started with a goal with 17:23 left in the first half from Julie Serra. She took a pass from Jackie Neilsen and helped Agawam tie the score 1-1.

From there, the Brownies could not be stopped. Serra again went to the goal about two minutes later and scored unassisted.

Less than one minute later, Christie Mirski scored a goal on a

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Jackie Neilsen looks for an open teammate as she nears the Marlboro goal.



# WE ARE THE CHAMPIONS



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## CLASSIC CHAMPIONS

**REGION - Congratulations to the U14 Euro United Boys for winning the New England Soccer Classic Tournament Memorial Day weekend in Cape Cod. Top row (from left to right): coach Kris Legowski, Jace Legowski (South Hadley), Pedro Duarte (Chicopee), Ryan Zahr (Fiskdale), Patrick Pederneira (Ludlow), Noah Nunes (Chicopee), Narcizo “Cizo” Andrade (South Hadley), Paulo “Junior” Naves (Agawam), Eric Silveira (Sturbridge), Ben Shaw (Brimfield) and coach Matthew Rickson. Bottom row: Luc Chauvin (Granby), Dan Rickson (West Warren), Brian “Lefty” Mayberry (West Warren), Collin Mitchell (South Hadley) and Franco Zanardi. (Brimfield) Not in picture due to injury on field is Devon Huard (West Warren).**

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together and had trouble holding onto the ball when they did possess the ball in the third.

The first scorer in the second was Hunter Chapdelaine. He attacked from the left side and sent a low, bouncing shot past Tahiir Blair. That gave Minnechaug a 3-2 lead and some much-needed momentum to start the second half.

Agawam had a chance to tie the score, but lost possession of the ball and Minnechaug attacked the goal again and scored a little more than a minute later when Sam Christman got an unassisted goal. He made an approach from the far right of the goal and made a slinging shot from the side to find the goal.

With 4:21 remaining in the quarter, Nick Beauchamp made a great adjustment for the Falcons. He was in tight coverage and actually switched his shooting side and shot left-handed and connected with a goal to make it 4-2.

With 1:45 remaining the, the final Minnechaug goal of the quarter was scored by Chase Beauchamp, who took advantage of several quick passes. Those passes distracted Blair from the goal and Beauchamp was able to shoot into an almost open net.

Agawam’s John Colwell was able to get one goal back for the Brownies with 13.7 seconds remaining in the quarter to help the Brownies stay within reach.

But the Falcons poured on the defense and spent most of the fourth quarter possessing the ball. They were able to tack on an insurance goal, but most importantly, limited Agawam to just one more goal in the fourth quarter to take away the win.

Agawam entered the opening game of the playoffs with the No. 6 seed and had an impressive 14-4 record. They had also defeated the Falcons 6-4 in a recent meeting.

Agawam got first half goals by Tyler Billick and Anthony Saccomani, but the Falcons equaled them with a pair of their own.

Minnechaug went on to be defeated by Shrewsbury in the quarterfinals of the tournament. Agawam’s season ended at 14-5.



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**John Colwell tries to get the ball away on defense during a rainy second half.**

## SPORTS CALENDAR

**Parks & Rec hosting Red Sox trips**  
AGAWAM - The Agawam Parks & Recreation Department is running two trips to Fenway this summer.  
Registration has begun and will be taken on a first come first serve basis.  
For more information on these trips please contact the Parks & Recreation Department at 413-821-0513.  
Boston Red Sox versus Chicago Cubs, Monday, June 30, Pavilion Box - Section 13. Cost is \$143 per person  
Boston Red Sox versus Houston Astros, Friday, Aug. 15, Section 26. Cost is \$104 per person.  
The bus will leave from the Agawam High School three hours before game time.

**Sacred Heart still looking for softball players**  
AGAWAM - Sacred Heart Athletic Association softball leagues are still accepting signups for the following age groups.  
U-14 NEYSA team, U-12 NEYSA team, Coach pitch league grades third, second and first.  
The cost for instructional coach pitch softball (first, second and third grades) is \$75 and NEYSA is \$100.  
Contact George at 374-2283 for more information or to register.

**Crestview Ladies League open to the public**  
AGAWAM - Crestview Country Club’s ParTee Ladies Golf League is preparing for another season of golf and is open to all women golfers, from the competitive to the “just for fun” golfer.  
There are a limited number of spots left.  
Cost is \$70 to join, which includes weekly prizes, special events and a final banquet, also with prizes and year-end gifts.  
For more information, contact Kay Soja by phone at 413-789-7901 or e-mail sojacatherine54@comcast.net.

**Basketball camp at Westfield State**  
WESTFIELD - The Westfield State University basketball camp for boys and girls ages 7 to 15 years old will be held July 7-11.  
Contact women’s basketball head coach Andrea Bertini at 413-572-8105 or abertini@westfield.ma.edu for questions and additional information.

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A bobbled grounder then allowed another runner to reach for Chicopee with one out and runners were at the corners. Setterstrom then sent a ball to the outfield that was not caught for another Agawam error. Chicopee plated another run to make it 6-5.

After a strikeout, Lauren Demers worked a walk in a nine-pitch at-bat to force home a run with the bases loaded and tie the score. Wheeler would get strikeout to end the inning with the score tied 6-6.

Agawam would load the bases in the bottom of the seventh inning, but Becca Uschmann and Jess Lingenberg were retired by Chicopee pitcher Mary Kate Meunier to end the threat.

After 4 1-2 scoreless innings, Agawam got six runs in the bottom of the fifth inning as they sent 10 hitters to the plate. Lingenberg led off with a single and Katie Grasso and Wheeler followed with perfect bunt singles.


Stratton would get a two-RBI single to shallow right to make it 2-0. Rachel Laponese would get another bunt single for the Brownies, and Taylor Marcotte followed with a two-RBI single down the left field line to make it 4-0.

Uschmann followed with an infield single to drive in the fifth run and Mary Kate Reidy plated the sixth Agawam run with a single to right.

Chicopee came back to get two runs in the sixth to cut the lead.


The Pacers moved on to face Longmeadow in the semifinals while No. 3 Agawam’s season ends with a 16-5 record.

Meunier went all eight innings and allowed seven runs on 16 hits. She did not walk a batter. Wheeler allowed eight runs, only four earned, on 11 hits. She walked three and struck out five.



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and we are all very close,” said senior captain and offensive hitter Bailey Cecchi. “We have been working all season for this. We knew after winning the state title last year that we wanted to come back this year and do it again.”

Cecchi and the Brownies will have that opportunity as they move into the State Championship Tournament.

“We know we have the right players with the right talent that can make an impact,” said Cecchi.

While West Springfield sported one hitter who could provide consistent kills, Agawam brought four in Cecchi, Ben Cassidy, Jeff Leclerc and Wade Robidoux. The Brownies also boast one of the best setters in the region in Zach Goggin. All five players were at their best as they did not take West Springfield lightly. Coach Patricia Demers said her players took control of their fate.

“These boys know what they are doing,” said Demers. “They went out and they had a plan and they make decisions and they work well together.”

West Springfield had very brief leads during the first and third games of the set. But Agawam controlled the game of rest of the time.

In the first game of the match, West Springfield stayed close through the first 10

points of the match until Agawam scored four straight points to take control. First, Cassidy and Robidoux scored a block, then an ace by Cassidy and a kill by Robidoux allowed Agawam to take a 14-10 lead.

Later in the game, Agawam was clinging to a 21-19 lead when four kills ended the first game. One was by Robidoux and three were by Cecchi. Agawam won the game 25-21.

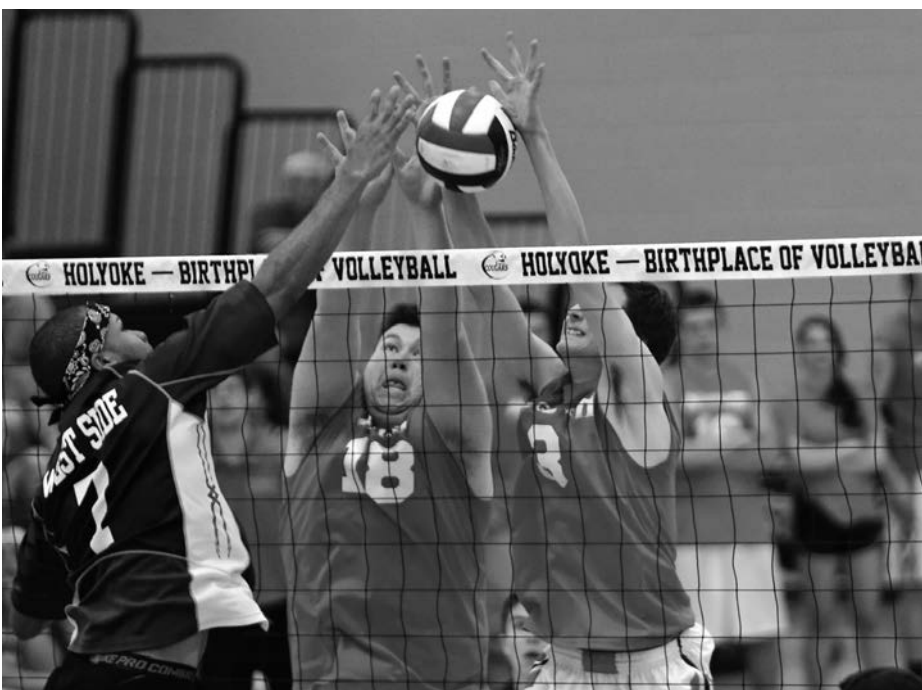
In the second game of the match, Agawam kept their distance by about five or six points throughout the game. Their biggest lead was a 19-10 lead late in the match, and they coasted to the second game victory 25-17.

The Brownies led most of the way in the third game as well. They held a 21-15 lead near the end. They had a bit of trouble closing out the game, but a bad serve by West Springfield ended the game.

The Terriers upset Agawam’s longtime volleyball rival Chicopee Comp to reach the tournament.

Agawam 19-2, moves on to the state semi-final and will face the Central Mass. champion, the winner of Millis vs. Xaverian at a date to be determined. Check [www.miaa.net](http://www.miaa.net) when the brackets are established.

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Agawam’s Jeffrey Goggin (18) and Jeffrey Leclerc (3) team up for a block.



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Agawam’s Benjamin Cassidy (13) hammers a shot down the line.



Agawam libero Anthony Frigo (1) punches the ball back up in the air.



Agawam’s Bailey Cecchi (9) goes up for a spike.

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**LACROSSE, from page 12**

pass from Serra to make it 3-1. Katie Martin got in the scoring by getting Agawam’s next two goals over a period of a minute, four seconds, helping Agawam increase their lead to 5-1.

After a three-minute lull, Agawam got back on the scoreboard against when Jill Scherpa found Serra near the goal. Serra let off another great shot and Agawam led 6-1. 43 seconds later, it was Marisa Ewing who scored a goal for the Brownies.

Martin notched the hat trick with 3:33 remaining in the first half. Mirski would score her second goal of the game 30 seconds later.

Neilsen followed with a goal with 1:36 remaining to make it 10-1. Marlboro would get a couple of goals back, but Kelly Theriault also scored in the final minute of the half to make it 11-3.

The Brownies did get one goal each from Serra and Neilsen in the early minutes of the

second half before Marlboro started putting together several goals in the second half. Marlboro would actually outscore Agawam 8-5 in the second.

For the game Serra, totaled six goals while also assisting on two more for a total of eight points. Martin finished with three goals and Theriault, Mirski, and Neilsen all had two each.

In goal, Kristina Tran stopped 11 shots.

For the first time, Agawam was paired up with a Central Massachusetts opponent in tournament action. MIAA officials decided to redistrict the tournament, pairing Western and some Central Mass. teams together. Coach Carla Warner said she enjoyed the matchup.

“It’s fun,” Warner said. “You get to see some different teams you don’t normally get to see. Marlboro was a good opponent. They played very well.” Agawam moved on to the quarterfinals to face Longmeadow.



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Goalie Kristina Tran attempts to stop a shot.



# Obituaries & Church News

DEATH NOTICES & SERVICES

News, upcoming events at Agawam Congregational

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Saturday, June 14: Strawberry Supper – two seatings, 4:45 p.m. and 6:15 p.m. Space is limited. Pre-paid tickets are available by calling the church office or at coffee hour.

Playgroup meets every Thursday morning from 9:30-11 a.m. They follow the Agawam public school calendar for holidays and school vacations. Playgroup ends for the summer Thursday, June 19.

Sunday, June 15: Father’s Day Sunday with coffee hour.

Monday, June 16: Loaves & Fishes meet at 4 p.m. at the church.

Saturday, June 21: Men’s Ministry meets at 7:30 a.m. at Bobbie J’s.

Sunday, June 22: 10 a.m. Worship service and coffee hour.

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Pastor Tom Howells is always available for prayer after the service. Newcomers are welcome and members of the community are invited to participate in all church events. For more information, call the church office at 786-7111. Regular office hours are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. until noon.

NEW MEMBERS



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The Agawam Congregational Church welcomed following new members into its church family Sunday, May 18. Pictured is Richard Bortfield, Dee Cyr, Heather Rogers and Todd Bousquet.

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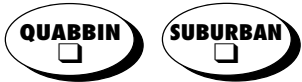
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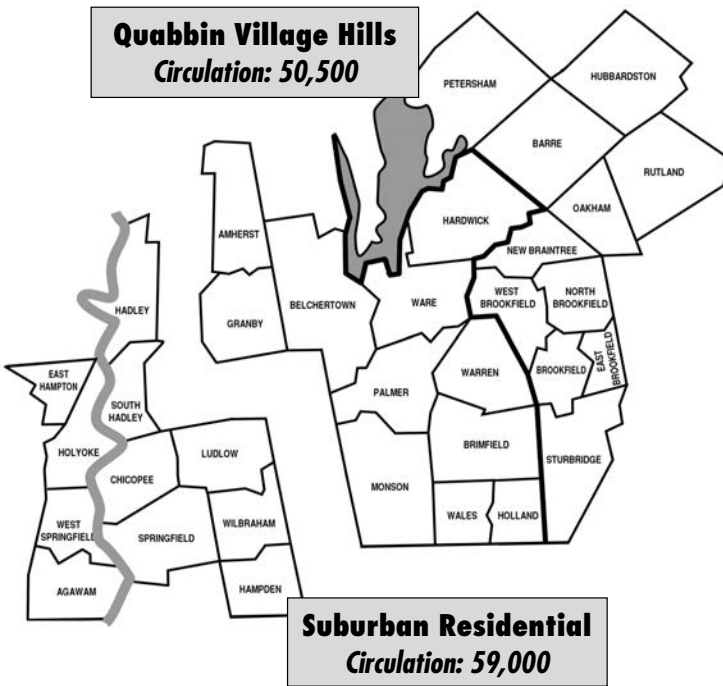
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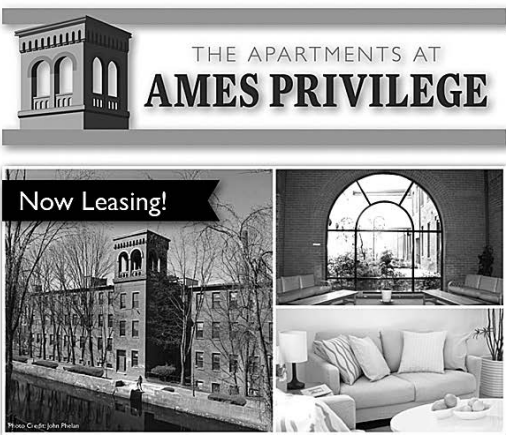
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## Saturday, June 7

THE AGAWAM LIONS CLUB will host its third Annual Spring Festival at the Polish American Club, 130 Southwick St., Feeding Hills. Special guest will be Gary Landgren on the "honky tonk piano" at 1 p.m. Events will include live music, food, crafts and vendors and children's activities.

A WORLD CUP CELEBRATION will be held at McDonald's located at 2392 Main St., Springfield. Ronald McDonald will greet event attendees along with Univision's Vianey Arana, who will sign autographs and pose for photos with viewers. There will be World Cup giveaways (no purchase required).

**THE HOLYOKE MERRY-GO-ROUND**, which is open Saturdays and Sundays from noon to 4 p.m., will have the 2013 Boston Red Sox World Series Trophy on display today from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. The public is invited. For more information, call (413) 538-9838 or visit [www.holyokemerrygoround.com](http://www.holyokemerrygoround.com).

## Sunday, June 8

THE AGAWAM KNIGHTS KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS will host a Father's Day Sunday Brunch from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Sacred Heart Parish Center, 1061 Springfield St., Feeding Hills. Cost is \$7 per person; free for children 10 and under. For more information, contact Francis Mazzie at (413) 786-6713 or Mike Messier at (413) 363-0347.

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THE WEST SPRINGFIELD COIN CLUB will meet at 7 p.m. in the Church of the Good Shepherd, 214 Elm St., West Springfield. Refreshments will be served. Guests are welcome. For more information, call Peter Setian at 596-9871.

**EXPERIENCE MUSIC AT UNITED** will present Larry Schipull, organist, and Linda Laderach, violinist, in concert at 2 p.m. in Skinner Memorial Chapel at the United Congregational Church of Holyoke at the corner of Appleton and Maple streets. For more information, visit [www.uccholyoke.org](http://www.uccholyoke.org) or call (413)

THE SPRINGFIELD MUSEUMS will host a “mini tour” at 1 p.m., led by Diane Huot, GWVS, focusing on “Steampunk Springfield: Humachines.” The tour is free with museum admission and secure, free on-site parking is available.

**A FREE BREAKFAST ON THE LAWN** is offered every Sunday at 9 a.m. at Hope Community Church located at 152 South Westfield St., Feeding Hills. Everyone is welcome on the "hill" for a good breakfast and good fellowship. For more information, call (413) 786-2445 or email [office@hope-churchagawam.org](mailto:office@hope-churchagawam.org).

**Tuesday, June 10**

THE AGAWAM SENIOR CENTER will host a free movie ("Bells Are Ringin") at 12:30 p.m. The public is welcome.

**THE AGAWAM CULTURAL COUNCIL** will meet at 7 p.m. at the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper St. The meeting is open to the public. For more information, email [r.kadis@comcast.net](mailto:r.kadis@comcast.net).

ADULT DROP-IN SIT AND KNIT meets every Tuesday from 1-3 p.m. at the Agawam Public Library. No registration needed.

**Wednesday, June 11**

TRIVIA NIGHT AT THE SPRINGFIELD TURNVEREIN, located at 60 North Westfield St., Feeding Hills, takes place every Wednesday night in June beginning at 7 p.m. The public is invited to come by and play along. Prizes are awarded.

THE ELM-BELCHER MASONIC LODGE, 53 River St., Agawam offers an all-you-can-eat spaghetti supper at a cost of \$7 for adults, \$4 for children. The public is welcome.

## Thursday, June 12

THE SPRINGFIELD MUSEUMS AT THE QUADRANGLE will present "American Moderns, 1910-1960: From O'Keefe to Rockwell" featuring Terry Carbone, curator, at 12:15 in the Museum of Fine Arts at 21 Edwards St., Springfield. Admission is \$4 (\$2 for museum members). Parking is free. For information, call (413) 263-6800, ext. 488.

## UPCOMING AND ONGOING

THE AGAWAM CONGREGATIONAL

# CAPTIVE AUDIENCE



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Feeding Hills resident Randy Ennis shared these photos of an inquisitive raccoon that visited his yard recently. "I love that you can see the curiosity in his pose – the tilt of the head, the intense stare. This is an amazing world," Ennis said.

CHURCH will host a strawberry supper Saturday, June 14 with seatings at 4:45 p.m. and 6:15 p.m. Tickets, which are \$12 in advance, \$15 at the door and \$5 for children under 12, are available in the church office Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. until noon, at coffee hour, or by calling the church office at (413) 786-7111.

COMMUNITY GRANGE 382 OF FEEDING HILLS will hold its 35th annual Strawberry Supper Wednesday, June 18 at the Grange Hall, 47 North West St., Feeding Hills with servings from 4 to 7 p.m. Donation is \$10 for adults; \$4.75 for children under 12. Reservations are suggested and may be made by calling Pauline at 789-2061. The public is invited.

THE ANNUAL ROBINSON STATE PARK DAY is scheduled for Saturday, June 21 beginning at 8 a.m. This year's event will focus is on walks, with a variety appropriate for all ages. There is a \$5 entry fee for each vehicle that enters through the front gate at 462 North St., Feeding Hills. Members of the Friends Group will be available at the Trestle Pavilion with photo displays and maps to answer questions and help attendees learn more about the park.

A COMMUNITY TAG AND BAKE SALE will take place Saturday, June 21 at St. David's Episcopal Church, 699 Springfield St., Feeding Hills from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Off-street parking available. The public is invited.



THE AGAWAM HISTORICAL AND FIREHOUSE MUSEUM will be open Sunday, June 22 from 1-4 p.m. A new exhibit, "Riverside Park - A Century as the Playground of the Connecticut Valley," is being featured this year. For more information, visit [www.agawamhistoricalassociation.org](http://www.agawamhistoricalassociation.org).

A FALLSFEST MUSIC FESTIVAL will take place Saturday, July 26 at Beachgrounds Park, 116 Main St., in South Hadley Falls. The event is free but non-perishable food items for Neighbors Helping Neighbors Food Pantry are welcome. For more information, visit [www.shfallsfest.com](http://www.shfallsfest.com) or call (413) 219-5577.

**YOUR CAR, TRUCK OR CAMPER** may be worth more as a donation than a trade-in. Call the Massachusetts Association for the Blind at (888) 613-2777 for more information. Towing is free. All donations are tax deductible.



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